

10/526671  
DT01 Rec'd PCT/PT 04 MAR 2005DENTAL TRAYTECHNICAL FIELD

5 The present invention relates to an improved dental tray used in patterning a diseased tooth, and more particularly to a dental ray for implant treatment.

BACKGROUND ART

10 Generally, implant treatment is treatment of that supporters are installed on the gum in order to implant a tooth and an artificial tooth is fixed to the supporters. Therefore, in the implant treatment, in order to precisely pattern the tooth, an implant zone must be exactly set centering around the supporters.

15 Thus, a tray in which the bottom is separated into plural segments with a constant width.

20 However, since the segments of the conventional developed tray are engaged with a tray main body with bolts and nuts, it is inconvenient to separate and engages the segments. Further, since the tray is made of a metal, it is impossible to drill a hole in the tray.

25 Moreover, since the tray made of the metal is opaque, it is impossible to drill a hole at a precise location in the tray perforate. Thus, it is inconvenient to precisely pattern the tooth using the tray.

DISCLOSURE OF THE INVENTION

Therefore, the present invention has been made in view of the above problems, and it is an object of the present invention to engage a disposable connection segment made of a transparent synthetic resin with the bottom of a tray main  
5 body made of aluminum, thereby precisely and conveniently setting an implant zone.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

10 The above and other objects, features and other advantages of the present invention will be more clearly understood from the following detailed description taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, in which:

Fig. 1 is a perspective bottom view of the present  
15 invention;

Fig. 2 is a perspective top view of the present invention;

Fig. 3 is a schematic exploded top view of the present invention;

20 Fig. 4 is a schematic exploded bottom view of the present invention;

Fig. 5 is a cross-sectional view of the present invention;

Fig. 6 is another cross-sectional view of the present  
25 invention; and

Fig. 7 is a schematic view of the used state of the present invention.

BEST MODE FOR CARRTING OUT THE INVENTION

5 Hereinafter, referring to the accompanying drawings, preferred embodiments of the present invention will be described in detail.

A dental tray of the present invention is characterized that a tray main body 1 provided with a knob 101 is made of  
10 aluminum, a molding part 102 formed along the gum is opened except to a connection portion 1c, a protrusion and a bridging recess 3 are formed along the both side walls 1a and 1b of the opened portion, a molding groove is formed by coating a connection segment 5 made of a transparent synthetic resin  
15 with a designated width and provided with a bridging groove 503 and a bridging recess 504 formed on the both connection portions 501 and 502.

Herein, undescribed reference numbers 6, 7 and 8 represent the gum, a supporter 7, and a frame member 8.

20 In the above-described dental tray, the tray main body 1 is made of aluminum, and the connection segment 5 disposed on a molding groove 102 is made of the transparent synthetic resin and engaged with the protrusion 2 and the bridging recess 3 formed on the inner wall 1a and the outer wall 1b of the  
25 molding groove 102. Therefore, when the bridging groove 503 of the connection segment 5 is engaged with the protrusion 2 of

the outer wall 1b and the bridging recess 504 formed on the connection portion 502 is extended, the bridging recess 504 is engaged with the bridging recess 3 by the elasticity, thereby achieving the engagement. On the other hand, in separating, the connection segment 5 is separated from the tray main body 5 in the reverse order of the above-described process. Therefore, the present invention makes the engagement and separation of the tray main body 1 and the connection segment 5 more easily and quickly, thereby providing the convenient engagement and separation of the tray main body 1 and the connection segment 5

#### INDUSTRIAL APPLICABILITY

Using the dental tray of the present invention, a dentist can correctly confirm the implant zone via the molding groove and then precisely detects the position of a fixing rod inserted into the gum, thereby precisely patterning the tooth by drill a hole on a precise location. Further, since the tray main body is made of a metal with a designated strength, the tray is not deformed, thereby continuously being used by replacing only the connection segment 5 with a new one. Therefore, the present invention remarkably reduces the cost for maintaining and treating the tray.